

HOUSE BILL 1472

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50
and Title 56, relative to workers' compensation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-501, is amended by deleting such section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

56-6-501.

(a) In order to promote health and safety in places of employment in this state, every public or private employer that is subject to this chapter, shall establish and administer a safety committee in accordance with rules adopted pursuant to § 50-6-502, if the commissioner of labor and workforce development finds that the employer has an experience modification factor or rate applied to the premium greater than or equal to one and twenty hundredths (1.20)

(b) In making determinations under subsection (a), the commissioner of labor and workforce development shall utilize the most recent statistics regarding experience modification rates.

(c)

(1) Every insurance company authorized to write workers' compensation insurance shall submit its modification factors or rates for each of its workers' compensation insureds to the commissioner of commerce and insurance, when requested by the commissioner. On request from the commissioner of labor and workforce development, the commissioner of commerce and insurance shall provide the department of labor and workforce development with the information.

(2) The commissioner of labor and workforce development shall establish safety committee requirements for self-insured employers pursuant to rules promulgated in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5.

(3) The commissioner of commerce and insurance may assess a civil penalty of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per incident for failure to comply with subdivision (c)(1).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.